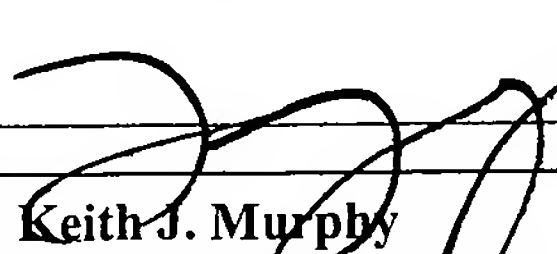

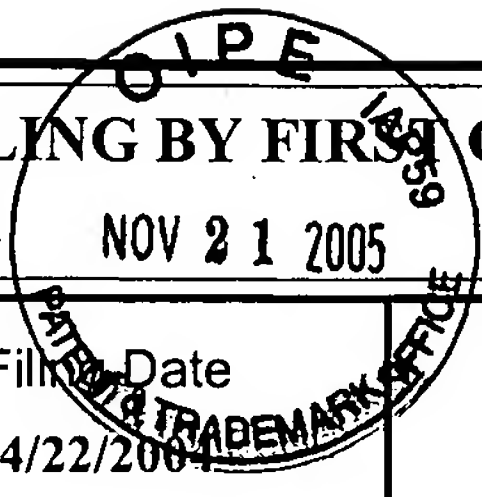


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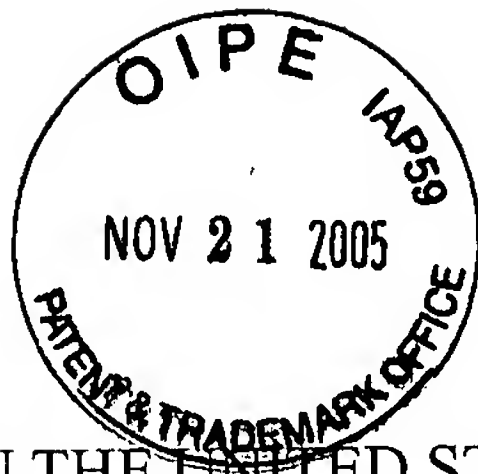
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In accordance with the provisions under 37 CFR § 1.111 and in response to the Office Action mailed on May 17, 2005, Applicants submit the following amendment and remarks for entry in the above-identified application.

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